

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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)	Examiner: Alicia Torres
Serial No.: 10,726,348)	
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Filed: 12/03/2003)	Art Unit: 3671
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For: Method and Apparatus to Reduce)	
Stalk Shear)	

Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

Madam:

This is a response to the Office communication mailed on September 3, 2008. A one-month period was set for response. As this response is submitted within the one-month period for response, Application believes no extension of time is necessary. The Applicant hereby requests reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

Exhibit B-1 follows this amendment and reply.